

Ed plans paper act for York

Excalibur editor Andy Michalski announced at the paper's editorial board meeting on Tuesday that he hopes to propose a Newspaper Act for York University.

He said it would include provisions for political autonomy from Council of the York Student Federation with fees gathered on a per student basis. The newspaper now receives a yearly grant from CYSF.

"We've got to get the business of journalism out of the politicians' hands. Right now, the paper is a political football tossed around by CYSF and the college councils.

"In the end, it's the reader that loses. The paper's news space has decreased in the past three years and not increased with the university's growth. Greater financial stability is needed for long-term planning," he said.

Under the proposal, Excalibur and its editor would be ruled by an editorial board with representatives from York's constituent members. The act would be based on two other university precedents at Queen's and Glendon College.

The Queen's Journal and Glendon's Pro Tem are both paid on a per student basis. But the Journal's editor is appointed by the student council while Pro Tem's is effectively elected by the staff and ratified by the entire student union.

Michalski said that York's Act would be the best compromise between too much power of student councils and too much autocratic control by the editor.

The editor said that he would be approaching both CYSF and the college councils to discuss the matter.

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A member of the Mukti Bahini - Bangla Desh's liberation forces - grabs two men suspected of being "Razakars", East Pakistan collaborators accused of murder, rape and pillage for nine months in East Pakistan, now Bangla Desh. This photo was taken three weeks ago in the same square where four "Razakars" were bayoneted to death in front of a crowd of 5,000. York is holding a Bangla Desh teach-in tomorrow starting at 10 a.m. in Osgoode Hall's Moot Court and ending with a lecture on Canada's role at 2 p.m. in Lecture Hall 2, Room L.

Wirkowski denies he is leaving York

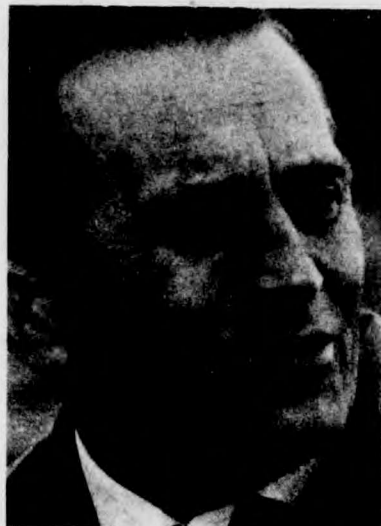
York athletic director Nobby Wirkowski denied on Saturday any rumors that he might be leaving this year.

He said he was perfectly happy at York and had no intention of leaving.

Excalibur's sources linked Wirkowski's leaving to Western's Frank Constantino who was reportedly unhappy with his job there and might be interested in coming to York.

Constantino also denied the story and said the story was strictly hearsay and said "That's the first time I've ever heard anything like that. I don't know where that started at all.

He explained that he was in the second year of a five-year contract and had no intention of leaving Western. As Western's football coach, he led the team to the Canadian championships.



Nobby Wirkowski

Wirkowski said he didn't know when his three-year contract was over but said he expected to stay in York's phys ed department next year.

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Scientists do not decide, says Wedge

York's Centre for Research in Experimental Space Science, conducts research in astronomy, astrophysics, aeronomy, remote sensing of earth environment by aircraft and satellite, and chemical physics. Would this information interest anyone if it was not funded partly by the United States Army, and the Defence Research Board of Canada? Probably not. This indicates the controversy surrounding military research in universities and the nature of military backed research.

According to the centre's director Karl Wedge "The research scientist cannot decide the uses to which his work will be applied and still remain a scientist." In other words policy making remains in the hands of the politicians and "the scientist is no more responsible for the practical applications of his theoretical research than the average citizen."

Wedge felt the citizen must assume more responsibility for his own actions and ultimately for those of the government he elects. He said "there is nothing kept secret or classified" about his work and the capabilities for its constructive or destructive uses are "inherent in the psychological makeup of man and not the research itself." As examples he cited his work with uranium isotope separation and more recently the photo-chemical effects in the upper atmosphere. He said that not to accept funds from military establishments is not a realistic solution because "as long as there are defense departments, scientific research will be applied to destructive purposes." He said that "if one is to attack the military industrial complex the connection between scientist and soldier although the most obvious is not the most important.

Amchitka bus costs, Becker backs out

Student service director John Becker of Student Services has refused to cover the \$125 bus cost for transporting students to the Amchitka demonstration last November. Organizer Jack Kleib claims Becker said at the time the administration would cover the costs. Becker has told Kleib to ask each college council for \$20 to pay the bills. "Becker told me at the time to order two buses, and to reserve as many as I needed, and that he would cover costs," Kleib said. Becker said Kleib was late in ordering the buses, and that if he would have delayed longer, it would have been too late. He says he told Kleib "let's place the order for the buses and worry about financing later. He needed encouragement from someone, so I supplied the encouragement," Becker said. He feels there will be no difficulty in getting the money from the colleges, but should they refuse, York will foot the bill.

Constitutional committee meets

The York student government's constitutional committee will be meeting Wednesdays at 4 pm on Jan. 12, 19 and 26 and on Saturdays at 1 pm on Jan. 22 and 29. An extra meeting might be held on Sunday, Jan. 30 should the committee feel one is necessary. All meetings are scheduled for the Winters Committee Room, 264.

Nat. Sci. prof injured

Nat. Sci. professor Jim Davis suffered a broken collar bone on Saturday when the toboggan he was riding collided with a tree. Sources say Davis had to avoid a snowmobiler - who kept right on going despite the accident. Doctors say the professor will spend the rest of the week at the York-Finch Hospital. He is reported to have one slightly used toboggan for sale.

Nat. Sci. union meets today

The Nat. Sci. union is meeting again today in Room 137, Winters from 1 to 2 pm. Only eight people showed up for the last meeting in December when people were involved in essays.

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Applications for the position of editor-in-chief of Excalibur for the 1972-73 academic year are now being accepted.

Applicants will be screened by the current Excalibur staff. The candidate of their choice is then formally accepted by the board of communications in early March.

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